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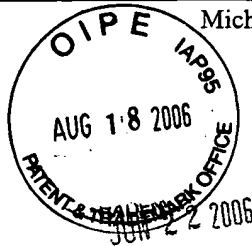


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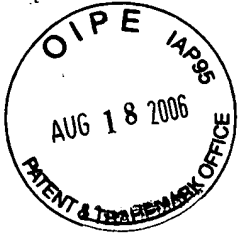
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

This communication is in response to the 371 Formalities Letter mailed June 16, 2006 requesting a "Sequence Listing". (Copy enclosed)

No extension of time is believed to be required in connection with the filing of this paper. If any time extension is needed for the timely filing of the present paper, applicants petition for such extensions and authorize the charging of deposit account 13-1755 for the appropriate fees. Please charge deposit account 13-2755 for any fees due in connection with this paper.

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REMARKS

Applicant does not believe that any sequence listing is required for this application. The Office may be concerned about the recitation of "PGGA" throughout the application. "PGGA" is the abbreviation of poly-D-gamma glutamic acid (see Abstract).

CONDITIONAL PETITION

Applicant hereby makes a Conditional Petition for any relief available to correct any defect in connection with this filing, or any defect remaining in this application after this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 13-2755 for the petition fee and any other fee(s) required to affect this Conditional Petition.

Teleconference Request

The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney at the number provided below if the Examiner believes that a teleconference would advance the allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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